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FUEL AND POWER IN YUGOSLAVIA

FUEL SITUATION IN YUCOSLAVIA -- Borba, No 258, 24 Cot 48

The procurement and distribution of coal and firewood to the working population should have been solved during the summer or even earlier. However, difficulties in coal production and transport have delayed the fulfillment of the plan.

To help meet the situation, all coal mined during the voluntary labor contests on the first day of the Congress of the United Trade Unions of Yugoslavia will go to supply the inhabitants of cities and industrial centera.

Belgrade, for example, will receive scal from Kostolac and nearby local mines. Sarajevo likewise will receive most of its coal from local mines. Volunteer woodcutters are at work in Bosnia, Slovenia, and Serbia. A rood-cutting team at Jesenice has pledged that it will cut 2,000 cubic meters of firewood, and 300 people working in brigades at Ljubliscae will out 7,000 subic matera.

Instead of scal, institutions, schools, and other large buildings in Belgrade will burn sawdust, which is available in huge quantities at Makis, This will necessitate the construction of special furnaces in which services can be burned. Brickyards in Belgrade have been maing coal dust to release coal for home use. In Sarajevo the Trade and Supply Section of the Municipal People's Council has made a contract with nearby sampills to deliver waste lumber. Wood lying on the ground in the forests, branches blown down by the wini, and fallen trees will be collected for the Substice fuel supply, as well as wood out in the forests of Srem.

The railroads transported 6,171 move carloads of freight in September than in August, but their capacity has not yet been fully utilized. Heavy seasonal chipments of fael are placing an increasingly heavy burden on the railroads. In Serbia, 200 trucks were requisitioned from lumbering sites and municipal service enterprises throughout the Republic, exclusively to transport fire-

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BOSWIAN COAL MINERS EXCRED PLAN -- Politika, No 13062, 23 Oct 48

The Breza coal miners, proclaimed the best in Yugoslavia, have been exceeding their production plan consistently since September of last year. This year's plan for the first half-year was exceeded by 36 percent. The miners now expect to meet their 1948 quota by 19 December. They are fulfilling their daily plans by as much as 35 percent per day. Oslobodjenje, 80 627, 27 Oct 1948: Yesterday the miners' collective pledged that it would fulfill its plan for 1948 by 19 November.

BOSMIAN COAL MINE COMPLETES PLAN -- Oslobodjenje, No 628, 29 Oct 48

When the miners of the Gracanica mine completed their plan ahead of schedule, the District Council set them a further task as great as the one thay had finished. Yet today the mine is on the point of completing this augmented plan.

DEPROVED FRODUCTION IN A BOSNIAN COAL MINE -- Borba, No 257, 23 Oct 48

The Makanj coal mine fulfilled its production plan for July and August by only 90 percent, but during the first 10 days of October it was meeting its plan 101 percent. [Figures for September not given.]

IMPROVEMENT IN BOSNIAN COAL MINES -- Politika, No 15070, 1 Nov 48

The Zenica coal mines completed only about 80 percent of their production plan during the first half of 1948, largely because of inadequate cooperation between management and labor. Several months ago the management was changed if a miner was made director. The situation improved immediately. Since intember the mine has been producing 21 percent more coal than in March, and production is constantly increasing.

COAL PRODUCTION IN SERBIA -- Rad, No 177, 23 Oct 48

The miner of the Timocki Basin fulfilled their plan for the summer wouths and September, although they had about 40 percent fewer workers than their plans authorize.

In the Tresibaba-Podris Mine, Diesel locomotives which were assembled from old parts that had been imported from abroad are now in operation transporting coal.

The Dobra Sreca mine, the most productive mine in the Timocki Basin, has impressed its production 40 percent this year. In August the plan was exceeded 2 percent, and 3.1 percent in September, when the payroll was higher, though still at only half strength.

SLOVERIAN COAL MINE PRODUCTION FALLS -- Bords, No 266, 2 Nov 48

Although the July production plan for the Velenje mine was exceeded by 0.5 percent, the August plan failed by 7.48 percent, the September plan by 11.18 percent, and the plan for the first 10 days of Catober by 22.86 percent. In addition to the old problems of shortage of labor and supplies and inadequate housing, the management is now faced with a shortage of freight cars for transporting coal.

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NEW POWER PLANT IN DAIMATIA -- Slobodna Dalmacija, No 1170, 30 Oct 48

The hydrotechnical work involved in the construction of a new hydroelectric plant near Dubrovnik has been finished. The plant will supply cheap power to Dubrovnik and its environs.

NEW POWER PLANT IN MONTENECERO -- Politika, No 13069, 31 Oct 48

After 16 mouths of work, the power plant in Kotor has been finished and put into operation on schedule. Much of the work was done by workers of the Zagreb enterprise, "Rade Koncar," and the "Arsenal" collective.

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